

# **Brown County 4H Leaders Association Meeting**

**10/5/21**

## **In person at the STEM Center, a few online via Zoom**

In attendance: Jon Hill (county 4H) Jennifer Buss (Happy Valley), Mary Van Dyck (Rockland), Eileen Rueden (leader at large), Cindy Ossmann (Morrison), Lori Calloway (Glenmore), Lisa Ostrenga (Lost Dauphin), Norma Dobberpuhl (Glenmore), Nikki VanDeurzen (Morrison) Dawn R, Becky V (Anston Squires), Stacie Kohn (Anston Squires), Jennifer Sinkula (Anston Squires), Mr. Pasch (Anston Squires) Michelle Krupp (Shooting Sports), Mary Pasch (Anston Squires), Lois Van Zeeland (Suamico Beavertails), Hollie Eichhorst (fair), Becky McGinn (Legacy Builders), JoAnn VandenAvond (Junior Jets), Madison Wiese (Wrightstown), Angela Wiese (Wrightstown), Sarah Brown (Friendly Fields), Jennifer Langhoff (Denmark Red Lightning), Taylor Langhoff (Denmark Red Lightning, Karen DuBois (Junior Jets), Carrie Ostroski (Lost Dauphin), Steve Dorosz (Neighborworks), Angela Duckert (Tailwaggers), Colleen Loppnow (Morrison), Ben Brown (Friendly Fields), Anne Zalubowski (Friendly Fields), Alivia Wiese (Wrightstown), Madelynn Meulemans (Wrightstown)

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Graduating Cloverbuds were recognized.

Leaders were recognized for years of service and awards were given:

- Volunteer of the Year: Jennifer Langhoff
- Meritorious Service: Angela Ducert
- Friend of 4H: Neighborworks

There was a thank you card received from the Wisconsin State 4H Horse Show and family of Paul Knope. They were passed around.

The secretary report was approved by Jennifer Langhoff and seconded by Taylor Langhoff.

Treasurer report was approved by Lori Calloway and seconded by Lisa Ostrenga.

- Fair totals for the food stand were \$22,556.41 income, \$11,295.48 expenses, and \$11,260.93 profit.

Jon's report:

- Ben Brown spoke about his experience with the WI Leadership Council. Membership in this council is open to both members and adults.
- Jon is working with clubs currently transitioning leadership and will work with other clubs when he has the transitioning clubs settled in.
- The youth group for grades 7 and up will be starting up again in November.
- Alyssa Zirbel will be leaving 4H as support staff. This change will be effective at the end of this week.

New officers were inducted as the old officers are exiting.

- Outgoing officers: Lori Calloway, Nikki Vandeurzen, Jennifer Buss

Notes prepared by Carrie Ostroski

- New officers:
  - Cindy Ossmann-president
  - Madelynn Meulemans-youth at large
  - Madison Wiese-youth at large
  - Taylor Langhoff-youth at large
  - Jennifer Buss-member at large
  - Eileen Rueden-member at large
  - Lisa Van De Hey-member at large
  - Jennifer Langhoff-member at large
  - Mary Van Dyck-new term as treasurer

#### Old business

- Yearly charters are due 11/1/21. Please do them online if you can.
- Fair foodstand is not finalized yet, but totals are in and were previously mentioned.
- Auction fundraiser has baskets coming in. Please sign up with descriptions using the online form. These are due October 25.
- 4H online is open. Please register if you have not already done so. Main leaders are getting weekly reports with enrollment lists.

#### New business

- Fair checks are available tonight. They are dated 9/20, and you have 90 days to cash them.
- Educational experiences: applications were due yesterday and interviews will be held on 10/19. Times will be sent out.
- Fall forum will be virtual this year and registration is due 10/10 (See county website for details). Participants can submit for reimbursement up to 30 days after the event)
- National 4H week is this week. Check Facebook for several interviews from members and leaders.
- The Brown County Leaders Association will be joining the Farm Bureau as they have helped 4H so much over the years.
- Next meeting will be held on November 2 as there is no fall election.
- There are other opportunities on the county website.
  - Honey Bee poster contest
  - National Youth Access, Equity, and Belonging Advisory Committee for participants ages 15-20
  - Boat Build Workshop kits are available tonight for those that signed up.
- December and January meetings. There will be no January meetings
- For the time being, we will not have refreshments served at meetings, but we can bring it up again in a couple months.

#### Committee reports

- Auction
  - They have their first meeting tomorrow.
  - The online portal worked well for this first year.

- Apply for scholarships if you are eligible.
  - The committee is working on more showing skills specific to animals.
- Cloverbuds-graduated tonight and older youth helped with Chris Clover showing. Rachel in the Extension office has offered to get a Cloverbud program going again.
- Fundraising. There is availability to work at a Gambler game on 10/15 and 4 people are signed up for a concert on 10/23. Check with Lori for more details. Lori and Jon are working on getting insurance certificate for PMI.
- Horse association is working on transitioning to project work versus working as a club.
- Pop tops are still being collected, with an anticipated collection event next June.
- Shooting Sports is looking at the schedule for the season. They are looking at half capacity and more time to allow for cleaning between groups.
- Dairy Promotions is still working on getting checks to the clubs that worked at the fair. They are looking forward to partnering again with 4H now that things are up and running.
- Club reports
  - Wrightstown is working on plarn mats out of plastic bags.
  - Morrison will be selling brats and burgers this weekend at the Morrison Zion Lutheran Craft Show.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lisa Ostrenga and seconded by Taylor Langhoff.

Next meeting will be November 2.